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Greater Sacramento Area Couples

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Happy Birthday!

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Welcome to New Members

Welcome to GSAC's newest members, Michal and Renee', who joined GSAC at the last general meeting. They heard of our group at the Freedom Faire in June. These women enjoy working on remodeling their home, working on cars and crafts. They also like spending time with their pets. If this sounds like you, give 'em a call, they sound like fun people.

Election Committee

The nominating/election process begins with an Election Committee. The Election Committee consists of two (2) members who are not running for office, and who represent two different MemberCouples. The Election Committee cannot be members of the current Board. If you are interested in being on the committee, please contact Sue/ Ida at 689-1927, or Al/ Juan at 723-8644. If you cannot volunteer to be on the Election Committee, then consider running for a Board position. We have served on the board for 2 1/2 years! It has been an enjoyable experience. It hasn't been without its challenges, but for us (Ida/Sue), it was a way to get involved and have a say in the growth of GSAC. A nomination sheet with the duties of each position, will be in your October newsletter, and will need to be returned to the election Committee by mid-October. You may nominate yourselves, or any other MemberCouple. Remember, GSAC is only as strong as it's Membership!

Integrity

A new organization, Integrity/Northern California, is holding it's meetings at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Sacramento.

Integrity is a group of gay and Lesbian Episcopalians and their supporters. An organization within the larger Church body, Integrity is not a substitute for parish life, but is meant to be an organization that provides visibility and support to Lesbian and gay people within the Church. Integrity is open to everyone; Lesbian and gay people, as well as all those people who support the total inclusion of Lesbian and gay people within the wider Church. It is also open to people of other religions who have found that they are not welcome at their Church.

Integrity was founded in 1974, and has grown to more than 50 chapters in the United Stated, Canada, Australia, plus other locations in the WorldWide Anglican Communion. Chapters sponsor worship, educational programs, fellowship, service, witness to and dialogue with, the Church. For more information about Integrity and meeting times contact Barb Chandler at (916) 394-1715.

Past Happenings

Dinner at Bobo's

"The philosophy of one century is the common sense of the next." At least that's what the fortune cookie said! As part of the ongoing monthly night-out, several couples consumed large amounts of Goi TomThit, Bi Coun, and Bun Ga Nueng Xa. For those who don't speak Vietnamese, that's Springrolls and Lemon Chicken! The food was excellent and the company was better. Next month's night out will be hosted by Sue and Ida at Orient Express.

Up-Coming Events

General Meeting Spaghetti Feed

On Saturday, September 9th, at 7pm SHARP, your Board of Directors will be honored to serve you a lovely dinner of salad, spaghetti (with your choice of a meat or meatless sauce), garlic bread and a drink. This dinner is FREE! to all GSAC members. We welcome all our new friends from the Rainbow Festival, and any prospective new members, however we ask a $3.00 for all non-members who wish to attend. Come watch your Board members try to be waiters and waitresses. We will be meeting at our new location, the Bell Coolidge Community Center. Take I-5 to the Fruitridge East turn-off. The community Center is located on the South-East corner at the intersection of Fruitridge and South Land Park Drive.

Elizabethan England Awaits

September 10th will find our group heading to the Renaissance Faire. Get out your tights and coronets and join in the merriment! All interested parties should call Al or Juan (723-8644) and let them know of your interest. They have $2.00 off coupons! They would also like to get some carpools going. Let's show them that we can eat turkey legs and guzzle ale with the best of them.

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner

Ida/Sue are you hosts for the September 22nd, Friday night dinner out. They have chosen to tantalize your taste buds with the culinary delights of The Orient Express . . 9163 East Stockton Blvd. (Laguna/Bond Rd. Exit - East off Hwy 99 South. Turn Left on Stockton Blvd. The restaurant is in the shopping center next to Raley's Market. Dinner prices range from $5 to $8. Ida/Sue usually order two or three items and share with friends, because it is hard to make a choice (teriyaki, chow mein, curry, chow fun, just to name a few) There always seems to be left-overs to take home. After dinner, there is shopping at Mervyns, Ross, Famous Footwear, Raley's etc. Please R.S.V.P. to Ida or Sue at 689-1927 by Wednesday, September 20th.

Amador County Wine Trip

On September 23rd, our group will be going on the Amador County Wine Tour. GSAC is making arrangements for transportation, so it's important to reserve a spot. Bring $10.00 per person to the September General meeting. On the day of the trip, $5.00 will be returned to each person who attends. If you are unable to attend the meeting, or need further details, contact Al or Juan at 723-8644.

Paradise in Sacramento?

September 30th we're all heading out to the mini-golf course at Paradise Island. Again, Al and Juan have 2 for 1 coupons (coupon Queens?) Bring the kids, Mom, Dad and Grandma, as this is a family event. (Sorry, no pets!) Paradise Island is located on the back side of Cal-Expo across from the Century Theaters, on Howe Ave. Call the guys to reserve your coupons and tee time.

Interesting Tid-Bits

Al and Juan have put together the OFFICIAL GSAC MemberCouple Directory.The directories have all MemberCouples who have authorized the publishing of their addresses and phone numbers. Pick up your copy at the next General Meeting, or contact Al or Juan, and they will be happy to send you one.

Mandie *LOVES* to play BINGO! I know, to some of you, it's boring old folks stuff. Think what you wish, but at least once a week I board the FREE bus to the Colusa Indian Reservation, plunk down my $25.00, and play bingo for approximately 4 hours. Every regular game has a pay-out of $1199.00! The specials pay anywhere from $300.00 to the sky's the limit! If you think this sounds like an interesting, fun evening, give Mandie a call at 683-2298 for more information. The Reservation also has a full casino with Black-Jack, Poker and Slot machines! You may also ride the free bus if you want to do this instead of playing Bingo.

It's that time again. The Capital AIDS Walk is scheduled to be on October 8th, so get those forms, and start collecting names to sponsor you in the walk. Our community, and the Sacramento AIDS Foundation sure do need the support.

Listed below are events that are coming soon. GSAC events are in UPPERCASE type. The others are community events that we thought you would like to know about. We hope you can join us at some of the events, and maybe help in planning or hosting one of the events:

SEPTEMBER 1995
- 3 Rainbow Festival
- 9 SPAGHETTI DINNER SERVED BY OPERATING COMMITTEE
- 10 RENAISSANCE FAIRE
- 22 DINNER OUT AT THE ORIENT EXPRESS
- 23 WINE TASTING TRIP TO AMADOR COUNTY
- 30 MINI-GOLF AT PARADISE ISLAND

OCTOBER 1995
- 1 MEMBERSHIP DUES are due.
- 8 Capital AIDS Walk
- 14 GENERAL MEETING - CAP/PAC ADDRESS ISSUES ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT
- 20 DINNER OUT
- 28 HALLOWEEN PARTY

NOVEMBER 1995
- 18 ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER

DECEMBER 1995
- 9 HOLIDAY PARTY - ELECTIONS AND GENERAL MEETING
- 15-17 Gay Day at Disneyland

HELP !!!

AS YOU KNOW, THE RAINBOW FESTIVAL IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD. AS OF THIS DATE, ELAINE AND MARGIE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH HELP TO MAINTAIN THE BOOTH ALL DAY. SET-UP IS AROUND 7:30 AM AND TAKE-DOWN IS AROUND 4 PM. THEY REALLY NEED OUR HELP. PLEASE GIVE THEM A CALL AT 726-3579 AND VOLUNTEER TO PEOPLE THE BOOTH FOR A SHORT TIME . . . EVEN 1 HOUR WILL HELP.

ATTENTION

Once again, we are asking for your help. We want to make this newsletter *interesting and informative!* We can't do it by ourselves. . . we need your input. If you've done anything interesting, gone to a good movie, eaten at a wonderful restaurant, or even the opposite (bad movie, lousy restaurant, etc. . .) Are you haveing a Garage Sale? Give us a call at 683-2298, and tell us about it! We will put it in the newsletter under Interesting Tid-Bits. We don't even have to use you names if you ask us not to. Just give us some information! CALL US, WE'RE FRIENDLY!!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 **Happy Birthday, Elaine (of Margie)**
3 **Rainbow Festival 20th & K St. Margie/Elaine 726-3579** **Happy Birthday Lisa (of Missy)**	4	5 **Happy Birthday, Glenn (of Neal)**	6	7	8	9 **Spaghetti Dinner & General Meeting Bell Coolidge Community Center . 7pm**
10 **Rennaisance Faire Al/Juan 723-8644**	11	12 **Happy Birthday, Shawn (of Marty)**	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 **Dinner Out 6:30 pm Ida/Sue 689-1927**	23 **Wine Tour, Amador Cty. Al/Juan 723-8644 Mini-Golf Pardise Island 1 PM Al/Juan 723-8644**
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Statement of Purpose

Greater Sacramento Area Couples (GSAC) is an affiliate member of Couples National Network, Inc. Couples National Network's founding principle is providing social, educational, and humanitarian outreach to persons participating in lesbian or gay relationships. We do not have any specific religious or political affiliations. Our interest is in supporting the positive aspects of our relationships and the sense of stability that they represent for our community and lifestyle.

GSAC Committee Couples for 1995

Please call any of these couples if you desire more information about GSAC. You can also write to GSAC at Post Office Box 861, Sacramento CA 95812-0861.

Chair Couple	Al and Juan	Phone: (916) 723-8644
Vice Chair Couple	Ida and Sue	Phone: (916) 689-1927
Finance Couple	Nina and Sonya	Phone: (916) 726-3992
Newsletter Couple	Lisa and Mandie	Phone: (916) 683-2298
Publicity Couple	Fredrick and Mark	Phone: (209) 274-4036
Membership Couple	Elaine and Margie	Phone: (916) 726-3579
Activities Committee	Don and Ken	Phone: (916) 924-8890

Dues and Costs of Attending GSAC Events

GSAC couples pay dues of $5 per month (paid semiannually) to cover the costs of the newsletter, meeting room, decorations, etc. As a result, regular monthly meetings and most events and functions are free to members. Nonmembers and guests may be asked to contribute a nominal fee to attend some events. Such fees will be indicated in the event description in the monthly newsletter.

If you wish to join GSAC, please contact the Finance Couple. Dues are prorated to expire on a common date (either April 1 or October 1). Also, there is a $10 registration fee that covers personalized name tags for each new member.

Articles Printed in Newsletter

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GSAC's Mailing List and Your Privacy

GSAC does not assist in the dissemination of data on its members. It is the policy and the practice of GSAC and Couples National Network, Inc. neither to publish last names, addresses, or phone numbers of members nor to release this information to anyone for any reason. Simply stated: We do not sell or give-away our membership list.

GSAC only uses first names in the monthly newsletter. We will not print your phone number in any article without prior approval. If you volunteer to host a function, we will not print your address in the newsletter. Rather, we will print the first names and telephone numbers (with prior approval) of the couple responsible for organizing the event. The organizing couple will give additional information and directions for the event.

Couples National Network – Parent Organization and Affiliates

This listing of our parent organization and affiliates is current as of the date of this newsletter. Contact any of these affiliates if you will be visiting one of these cities.

Couples National Network, Inc.,
Post Office Box 33724, San Diego, CA 92163-3724
Contact Sandy and Janice (619) 692-1574

Alamo Couples,
Post Office Box 12446, San Antonio, TX 78212-2446
Contact Dayle and Raymond (210) 653-8348

Couples of Arizona,
Post Office Box 7144, Phoenix, AZ 85011-7144
Contact Carolyn and Evelyn (602) 253-5802

Couples of San Diego,
Post Office Box 33724, San Diego, CA 92163-3724
Contact Q and Jo (619) 219-5757

Couples of Metro Dallas,
Post Office Box 803156, Dallas, TX 75380
Contact Davis and Arnold (214) 492-4606

Couples of Miami Valley,
Post Office Box 14004, Dayton, OH 45414
Contact John and Paul (513) 228-5352

Couples of San Francisco Bay Area,
P.O Box 191745, San Francisco, CA 94119-1745
Contact Sam and Ted (415) 929-8402

Inland Empire Couples,
Post Office Box 3033, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91729-3033
Contact Tony and Tex (909) 783-7736

Couples of Pennsylvania (COPA),
1622 S. Bradock Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15218-1638
Contact Bob and Harry (412) 371-6269

Bayshore Couples
750 Carolina Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086
Contact David & David (408) 735-8777

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